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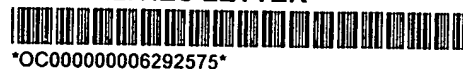
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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/855,038	05/15/2001	Andrew Chang	1988.0060002

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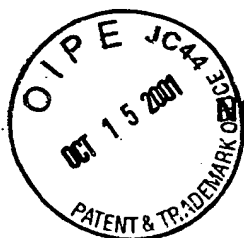
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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

01 FC:101	740.00 OP
02 FC:102	84.00 OP
03 FC:103	522.00 OP
04 FC:105	130.00 OP

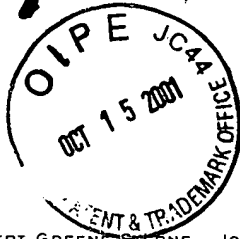
An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$602.
  - \$522 for 29 total claims over 20.
  - \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1442.

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**Box Missing Parts**

Re: U.S. Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/855,038; Filed: May 15, 2001  
For: **Backplane Interface Adapter**  
Inventors: Andrew Chang *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1988.0060002

Sir:

In reply to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted," dated July 13, 2001, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 (*in duplicate*);
2. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
3. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (*in duplicate*);
4. Original executed Declaration;
5. Original executed Power of Attorney from Assignee;

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6. Original executed Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b), along with a copy of the executed Assignment;
7. Our Check No. 32866 for \$1,586.00 to cover:
  - \$ 740.00 Filing Fee for Patent Application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);
  - \$ 130.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);
  - \$ 110.00 Extension of Time Fee (1 Month);
  - \$ 522.00 Excess Claim Fees (over 20); and
  - \$ 84.00 Excess Claim Fees (over 3); and
8. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

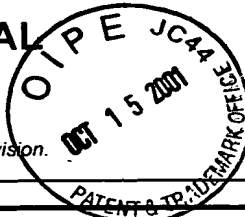


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Enclosures

# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2002

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.



## Complete if Known

Application Number	09/855,038
Filing Date	May 15, 2001
First Named Inventor	Andrew Chang
Examiner Name	to be assigned
Group Art Unit	2661
Attorney Docket No.	1988.0060002

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$1,586.00)

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1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayment to:

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- ☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status See 37 CFR 1.27

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## FEE CALCULATION

### I. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	\$740.00
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 740.00

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims 49 - 20** = 29	X \$18.00	= \$522.00
Indep. Claims 4 - 3** = 1	X \$84.00	= \$84.00
Multiple Dependent		=

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim
108	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 606.00

\*\* or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	\$130.00
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	\$110.00
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	130	123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	481	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify):

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 240.00

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Signature		Date	October 15, 2001		

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